

# AK Pencil Skirt

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I have been looking forward to getting my Pencil Skirt Pattern redrafted to offer as a free pattern. I am cheekily showing off my silk shirt at the same time. This is a perfect combination. Shirt pattern and video easy enough for novice sewers available to members on angelakane.com. Go straight to my BurdaStyle Studio for my BurdaStyle Projects, Patterns and Techniques.

## Materials

Medium weight, wool suiting.

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## Step 1 — The Skirt



Instruction video coming. In the meantime watch my YouTube video 'Make A Dress' which describes sewing together the basic skirt.

Cut out and transfer markings.  
Stitch the darts and press towards the centre.

Neaten the back seam and around the back vent extension down to hem line.  
Insert the invisible zip – watch my technique video.

Join the back seam below the zip, continue across top of vent extension.  
Clip seam towards corner of extension. Press open above corner and press extension towards left back skirt.

Join the side seams. Press open.

If you are lining the skirt, make in the same way, excluding zip.

Press lining darts and seams and baste lining and skirt, wrong sides together, around the waist line.

Slip stitch lining seam to zip tape. Some people like to attach the lining to the back vent. I don't as I like to be able to pull back the lining when the skirt needs a re-press.

Prepare the waistband with iron on waistband facing/stiffening and neaten (zigzag or overlock) the un-faced edge. I used to match waistband markings with the skirt markings but you always end up with having to ease the skirt in and sometimes it is difficult to get rid of the odd crease. As long as your skirt is a nice fit at the

waist, start pinning your waistband starting at the left back opening and without stretching the skirt or the waistband pin together all the way round. You will end up with about a 1.5" extension at the right back opening. Machine then stitch the waistband end seams. Trim the seam allowance and turn through.

Slip stitch the seam of the extension. Press the waistband along fold line. Then stitch in the ditch from the right side.

Stitch the hem on the skirt and the lining.

Add some hooks and eyes or waistband hook and bar.

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